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Egyptian-Israeli Relations

Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hasan 'Ali arrived in Israel and delivered a message to Prime Minister Menahem Begin from President Husni Mubarak, ITIM reported. After his meeting with Begin, 'Ali said in remarks broadcast by Jerusalem radio that Mubarak's letter to the Israeli leader concerned bilateral relations and the peace "which is for eternity between the two countries." It also dealt with proposals for promoting the autonomy talks and a meeting between Begin and Mubarak, according to the radio. The message confirmed Egypt's desire to continue the momentum of the peace process and stressed the wish to remove any obstacles barring the way to the resumption of the autonomy discussions, MENA reported. However, in remarks broadcast by Jerusalem television after this talks at Begin's office, 'Ali admitted that the two sides had not come any closer to deciding the venue for the autonomy talks. More time is needed to settle this dispute, he opined. The television said a Mubarak-Begin meeting is unlikely in the near future.

The Tabah problem and the application of article 7 of the peace treaty to solve it was also mentioned in the Egyptian president's message to Begin, Cairo reported, noting a statement made by 'Ali on his return to Cairo. According to a 3 June Jerusalem radio report citing Israeli Government sources, there were no new ideas in Mubarak's letter, which was sent to prove to the Americans that Egypt is interested in accelerating the peace process and that Israel's insistence on holding the autonomy talks in Jerusalem is preventing this.

During his brief visit to Israel, 'Ali also met separately with his Israeli counterpart, Yitzhaq Shamir, Jerusalem radio noted. The two foreign ministers discussed the Iran-Iraq war, Lebanon and Libyan subversion of Africa, the radio said.

Meanwhile, another Egyptian visitor to Israel, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Butrus Ghali, said in a panel discussion reported by MA'ARIV that one of the reasons for the current deadlock in the autonomy negotiations is that instead of adopting confidence-building measures in the occupied territories -- as had been agreed by Begin and Anwar as-Sadat in September 1981 -- Israel has adopted measures that have "worsened" the Palestinians' situation." This brings into question the credibility of the entire peace process, Ghali added.

Egyptian-Arab Relations

A large trade delegation consisting of representatives of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the UAE and Oman will visit Cairo in mid-June to discuss investment cooperation with Egypt, ONA reported. In a similar vein, during a panel discussion with Israel's MA'ARIV, former Egyptian Prime Minister Mustafa Khalil said Saudi Arabia is now making "overtures" to Egypt and that a resumption of Saudi-Egyptian ties is now possible. In a 3 June commentary, the Cairo paper AL-AKHBAR welcomed Sudanese President Ja'far Numayri's call for convening an Arab summit conference without the rejectionist states, MENA reported. AL-AKHBAR voiced strong criticisms of the rejectionist group, particularly Syria.

Israeli-U.S. Relations

Prime Minister Begin has informed Secretary of State Alexander Haig that he was "almost insulted" by the latter's call on Israel to exercise restraint in dealing with Lebanon, Jerusalem radio reported. In a letter to Haig, Begin said the United States is ignoring the fact that terrorist organizations in Lebanon are responsible for flare-ups and hostile acts.

Iran-Iraq Conflict

Military Situation -- Iraqi forces launched a series of operations on the Khorramshahr front on 1 June but were forced to retreat after sustaining losses and casualties, according to an armed forces communique carried by Tehran radio. The radio also reported that several Iraqi aircraft flew at supersonic speeds over Iran's western airspace up to Tehran. While noting that such flights are of no tactical military value, the radio said they represent an example of the continued aggressions by Iraq against Iran.

According to an Iraqi military communique broadcast by Baghdad radio, Iraqi planes attacked Iranian armored and infantry concentrations north of Khorramshahr causing heavy personnel and equipment losses.

Reparations Offer Denial -- An official source at the Bahraini Foreign Ministry denied reports that the GCC states have offered Iran $25 billion as a war reparation settlement, AKHBAR AL-KHALIJ reported.

Velayati Interview -- If Iran's border is not secure and its people are being bombarded from the other side, it is natural for Iran to legitimately try to silence Iraqi artillery, Foreign Minister 'Ali Akbar Velayati told the Spanish newspaper EL PAIS in a 29 May interview. Asked about the fear of the Persian Gulf states that Iran will export its revolution to them, Velayati said the exportation of the Islamic revolution does not mean military conquest or expansionism but refers to the ideological propagation of Islam.

Iran

Two Iranian Baha'i leaders were recently executed in Iran according to a statement issued by the association of Baha'is in France, AFP reported. The association said 14 Baha'is have been executed in Iran this year and 114 have been executed since the beginning of the Islamic revolution.

Iraq

A statement issued by the Syrian-backed Democratic National and Patriotic Front (DNPF) claimed that antigovernment demonstrations took place in Sayyid Sadiq and several other Iraqi towns from 8 to 10 May, Damascus radio reported. The statement said government forces opened fire on demonstrators in Sayyid Sadiq on 8 and 9 May resulting in the deaths of several people.

Meanwhile Damascus radio carried an appeal issued by the Arab Socialist Ba'th Party Command in Iraq urging the Iraqi people to support the DNPF. The appeal also called on the armed forces to join the Ba'th Party Command in the northern region of the country and to participate in the struggle against the Iraqi president.

Afghanistan

Government forces liberated Panjsher District and eliminated the rebel resistance there, Kabul radio reported. A Defense Ministry spokesman claimed that government troops also control the outlying areas of Panjsher up to the vicinity of Badakhshan. However, the leader of the five-party Muslim rebel alliance denied that Soviet and Afghan troops have ejected rebels from their stronghold in the 160-km-long Panjsher Valley, according to AFP. He said government forces fled after suffering heavy losses in 4 days of fighting nd added that other Afghan troops were still besieged in one part of the valley.

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LIFE RETURNING TO NORMAL IN PANJSHER DISTRICT

LD021834 Kabul Domestic Service in Pashto 1600 GMT 2 Jun 82

[Text] Life has returned to normal in Panjsher District. The nest of counterrevolutionaries in that place has been eliminated forever. The people of Panjsher District, who have been rescued from the brutal oppression of the rebels, are continuing their lives as usual.

According to a report by the BAKHTAR correspondent from Panjsher, the savage rebels in Panjsher District have been eliminated and assorted weapons and incriminating documents, proving their crimes, have been seized. Remote villages in Panjsher District have been rescued from the claws of the cruel rebels; the armed forces have resumed complete rule through out Panjsher.

The BAKHTAR correspondent, who visited [name indistinct], Rokha, (Borj-e Yaman) and [names indistinct] villages and surrounding villages of Panjsher District, reports that at the time of rebel oppression, the people of Panjsher District left their homes because of high prices and lack of primary consumer goods and foodstuffs.

A spokesman for the DRA Ministry of National Defense said the people who had left their homes and had gone to the mountains with their wives and children have now returned home and resumed their work and farming.

The spokesman added: Security throughout Panjsher is maintained. The subversive activities of the rebels have been discovered one after the other and have been neutralized. The rebels who escaped to the higher parts of the mountains have been crushed and eliminated by the continuous and shattering blows of the armed forces, with the cooperation of the people.

The Defense Ministry spokesman said several rebel hideouts, fortified places, headquarters and prisons have been discovered. The rebels have been punished for their actions.

Assorted weapons, assorted machineguns, heavy large caliber machineguns, ammunition, antitank mines and [word indistinct] tools, assorted documents and leaflets, various propaganda posters and magazines, identity cards -- including blank identity cards -- Pakistani [word indistinct] films, cameras and daily publications have been seized from these imperialist lackies.

The Defense Ministry spokesman said units of the armed forces who are in control of the last and (?most remote villages) of Panjsher, that is, up to the vicinity of Badakhshan, are moving freely. The people are able to move freely in the green valleys of Panjsher without being harrassed.

According to the BAKHTAR military correspondent, the people of various villages in Panjsher District are returning in groups to their villages. They are resuming their lives free from rebel oppression and brutalities.

According to another report, the persecuted and toiling people of Panjsher District held a meeting yesterday and expressed firm support for their revolutionary party and government. The meeting, which was held at the [name indistinct] subdistrict of Panjsher District, began with the recitation of verses from the holy Koran.

At the meeting, in which the people of Rokha, Bakhtikhel, Khonaba and the surrounding region participated, Mir Saheb Karwal, head of the central zone, said:

Faithful and Muslim people of Panjsher District, elders and my esteemed fathers: On behalf of the PDPA Central Committee, on behalf of esteemed Comrade Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the PDPA Central Committee and president of the DRA Revolutionary Council, first of all I convey best wishes and greetings to you from Babrak Karmal. I have been assigned the duty of visiting you and of informing myself of the pain and suffering which have been inflicted on you by the savage rebels during this period.

The head of the central zone added: I assure you that a comfortable and prosperous life will be provided for you. You are invited to form resistance groups and tribal jergas, take up arms and fight against the rebels so they cannot disturb for you in the future.

The BAKHTAR correspondent reports from Panjsher that, following this, a spokesman for the people of Enaba, Qalacha and Abdara villages in Panjsher District, said: We are with our party and government and will stand against the rebels as long as our strength lasts. We are, he said, sacrificers for our soil, our homeland, our people and our government. During this period, when the people saw the brutalities of the rebels, in addition to suffering, hunger, the lack of foodstuffs and road closures, the majority of people abandoned their homes and went to other places. He added: Now, when the roads have been reopened by the armed forces, we are able to travel to Parvan and Kapisa Provinces in order to resume our livelihoods.

The BAKHTAR correspondent adds that other statements by the chief of operations at the Defense Ministry and by the governor of Parvan Province promised all possible aid to the people of Panjsher. Then one of the guardians of the revolution, on behalf of his colleagues said: We have come here today because we are aware of your pain and sufferings. We have before us programs for improving your lives and we are putting them into practice one by one. He added: We will not leave you alone and will expose all the sinister plans of the rebels.

At the end of the meeting, after a prayer for the country's prosperity and peace by the people of those villages, foodstuffs, wheat flour, rice, sugar and clothing were distributed by the head of the central zone.

Resistance Leader Denies Claims

BK030116 Hong Kong AFP in English 0047 GMT 3 Jun 82

[Text] Islamabad, 2 Jun (AFP) -- Afghan forces had "regained control" of the Panjsher Valley, northeast of Kabul, and had wiped out the resistance, Radio Kabul said in a report monitored here today.

But in a first reaction, resistance leader Burhanuddin Rabbani, defence chief for the five-party Moslem rebel alliance, denied that Soviet and Afghan troops had ejected the rebels from their two-year stronghold in the 160-km (100-mile) long valley.

Quoting the Kabul Defense Ministry, the radio said the army totally controlled the situation and had reopened roads from the valley to northern Badakhshan.

The "counter-revolutionaries," who "made life miserable for the local population," were vacating the area, the radio said, adding that machine guns, rocket launchers and mines had been seized as well as a Pakistani [words indistinct].

Rebels who took shelter in the mountains had also been "wiped out" by the army, the radio said.

Rebel leader Rabbani described a Kabul television film of the newly "liberated areas" as "enemy propaganda to demoralise the mujahedeen."

He said the rebels allowed government troops to penetrate the Rokha area via Panjsher pass in order to set "a trap."

Government troops fled after suffering heavy losses in four days of heavy fighting, he said, adding that other enemy forces were still beseiged in the Noaba area of the valley where fighting continued last Sunday [30 May].

Western diplomats here confirmed that Soviet and Afghan troops suffered serious set-backs at some points in the valley.

Mr Rabbani said the new government offensive was launched on May 15. According to his information it was a 40-day operation to flush out rebel forces from an area considered strategic for both sides, he said.

HUNGARY SIGNS SCIENTIFIC-TECHNICAL AGREEMENT

LD022045 Kabul Domestic Service in Pashto 1530 GMT 2 Jun 82

[Text] The DRA and the People's Republic of Hungary signed a scientific and technical cooperation protocol for 1982-1983 today at the State Planning Committee headquarters. According to the protocol, Hungary will train specialists in various scientific and technical fields as a grant-in-aid and will also make preparations to train Afghan personnel in various other fields.

The protocol was signed on the Afghan side by the director of the National Economic Planning Department of the State Planning Committee and on the Hungarian side by the technical and scientific [word indistinct]. The deputy chairman of the State Planning Committee witnessed the signing. The relevant documents were then exchanged.

ZIRAY DISTRIBUTES PARTY CARDS IN HERAT

LD310522 Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0432 GMT 31 May 82

[Text] Kabul, 30 May (BAKHTAR) -- Dr Saleh Mohammad Ziray, member of the Politburo and secretary of the PDPA CC, in a ceremony distributed the membership cards of the PDPA for the members of the provincial committee, party precincts, district committees, secretaries and members of the primary party organisations of Herat Province yesterday.

Speaking on this occasion Dr Ziray dwelt on the importance of the membership cards of the party and on the missions and obligations of the members of the PDPA for defending the revolution and the homeland. In his speech he drew the attention of the party members of that province to their obligations and historic responsibilities at this sensitive moment of the country.

Thanking the party for the trust and the confidence placed in them, the recipients of these cards make all sacrifices to fulfill their obligations in defending the April Revolution, especially its new evolutionary phase, and to continue their relentless struggle against the traitors to the country.

STUDENTS PROTEST ARREST OF MRD LEADERS IN LAHORE

GF300642 Kabul International Service in Arabic 1700 GMT 29 May 82

[Text] The (?Pashtun) Union of Students has protested against the arrest of Movement for the Restoration of Democracy [MRD] leaders in Lahore. The senior students in Peshawar called on Pakistan's military courts to release the political detainees immediately and to conduct elections.

A new series of arrests of opponents of the Pakistani military regime has taken place. The Indian news agency reports that 400 persons have been arrested for their activities against the Pakistani military regime. The agency further adds that the Pakistani military courts have ordered the arrest of 40 of the leaders of the antigovernment political parties, who demanded democracy, general elections and the formation of a nonmilitary government in Pakistan.

NATWAR SINGH ON RESUMING TALKS WITH PAKISTAN

BK021623 Delhi Domestic Service in English 1530 GMT 2 Jun 82

[Text] Secretary in the External Affairs Ministry Natwar Singh has said the discussions between India and Pakistan will be resumed in all aspects of bilateral matters which came up during the New Delhi talks between the foreign ministers of two countries last February and in the light of Mrs Gandhi's letter to General Ziaul Haq.

In a statement in Islamabad, the text of which was made available in New Delhi, Natwar Singh described his discussions with Pakistani officials as useful. It may be recalled here that Singh delivered a letter from the prime minister to the Pakistan president on Monday last [31 May].

There has been no official indication on how soon the discussions will be resumed, but a spokesman of the External Affairs Ministry confirmed in New Delhi today that it will be reasonable to presume that the dialogue will be restarted at the foreign secretaries level.

The spokesman said India has an abiding faith in the possibility of having enduring peace and friendship with Pakistan. We are steadfast in this faith. He said India has an interest in Pakistan's stability, sovereignty and independence. Therefore, it is imperative that our relations are nurtured by confidence-building measures, such as the setting up of a joint commission.

In other words, the spokesman pointed out a no-war or a non-war situation is only a part of the overall relations which we are working to have with Pakistan. He said the differences between the two countries are to be resolved in a spirit of good neighborliness.

The spokesman added that we have to proceed with a sense of reality to achieve this objective.

REDDY ADDRESSES ARMY PERSONNEL IN KASHMIR

BK030901 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0730 GMT 3 Jun 82

[Text] President Sanjiva Reddy has said India is wedded to the pursuit of peace, but it has to be constantly on guard against external threats to protect its hard-won freedom. Reddy was addressing soldiers in Srinagar today. He said that it is our earnest desire to see that there is no threat to our freedom so that we may puruse uninterruptedly our goal of economic development.

Referring to the tensions and conflicts in various parts of the world, Reddy expressed the hope that the issues which had resulted in these conflicts would be solved peacefully and armed conflicts would not spread to new areas. Reddy said India's massive industrial and agriculture infrastructure is a sure sign of strength which could easily sustain our defense machinery. The president complimented the soldiers for their discipline and determination.

Reddy said combined efforts of our farmers, scientists and technologists have brought about a happy situation of self-sufficiency in food production. He said in the field of defense production also efforts of our scientists and technical personnel are being crowned with success.

'OCCUPIED KASHMIR' LEADERS PROTEST HAQ'S CLAIMS

BK030316 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0240 GMT 3 Jun 82

[Text] Four leaders of the occupied Kashmir have asserted that Gilgit, Hunza and Skardu are part of Jammu and Kashmir state and not of Pakistan as stated by General Ziaul Haq. A letter from them to the Pakistan president was released at a news conference in Islamabad yesterday. The signatories to the letter are: Sardar Abdul Qayyum Khan, Sardar M. Ibrahim Khan, Mr Ali Ahmed and Mr Abdul Khaliq Ansari. They said that to call any part of Jammu and Kashmir as part of Pakistan is a grave fallacy. They requested the Pakistan president not to make the Kashmir problem more complicated. They also protested against the imposition of martial law in the northern areas and demanded restoration of democracy in occupied Kashmir.

USSR SIGNS PROTOCOL ON MAGNETOHYDRODYNAMIC PLANT

BK281407 Delhi General Overseas Service in English 1330 GMT 28 May 82

[Text] India and the Soviet Union had signed a protocol on the working program of India's first experimental magnetohydrodynamic power plant being set up at Tiruchirapally in the southern state of Tamil Nadu. It was signed by leader of the three-member Soviet delegation Polikovskiy for the Soviet Academy of Sciences and Dr Ambar Shankaran of the Bhabha Atomic Research Center.

Disclosing this to newsmen in New Delhi today, Polikovskiy said that the Soviet delegation has just concluded its visit to the complex. They discussed with the Indian side the technical problems and expressed satisfaction with the work done by the Indian scientists. The plant will be ready for commissioning by March next.

In the magnetohydrodynamic process hot coal gas is passed through the magneto to provide electricity directly and then is made to retake the gas turbine to produce additional electricity.

CONCERN EXPRESSED TO EEC OVER WIDENING TRADE GAP

BK271609 Hong Kong AFP in English 1436 GMT 27 May 82

[Text] New Delhi, 27 May (AFP) -- India's rapidly widening trade gap with West European countries is causing serious concern here and figures for April-September last year showed India had a total trade deficit over the 6-month period of 7,220 million rupees (about 800 million U.S. dollars).

Trade estimates for fiscal 1981-82 are yet to be fully worked out but over the past 2 years Indian exports having dipped sharply while imports have risen.

Indian imports from West Europe stood at 14,910 million rupees (about 1,683 million dollars) between April and September last year, official figures showed.

In 1980-81, the trade deficit jumped to 730 million dollars after being only 530 million dollars the previous year.

India has reportedly expressed its concern about the growing trade deficit to the European Economic Community, India's largest trading partner, and has asked for the removal of distortion's in the nine-member body's assistance policy towards developing countries.

The EEC has been told to take steps to develop their markets for Indian goods so that the deficit in trade is narrowed. India has also stressed the urgent need for the EEC to liberalise their generalised system of preferences (GSP) for Indian goods.

Apart from the EEC, the other group of West European countries India trades with is the European Free Trade Area (EFTA) comprising Norway, Sweden, Finland, Austria, Switzerland and Portugal.

YAQUB KHAN'S ACTIVITIES IN HAVANA REPORTED

BK011111 Karachi Domestic Service in English 1005 GMT 1 Jun 82

[Text] Foreign Minister Sahabzada Yaqub Khan has had meetings with the foreign ministers of Algeria, Iran and India as well as the UN secretary general's personal representative on Afghanistan in Havana last night.

Reports say the foreign minister briefed Algerian Foreign Minister Ibrahimi on the situation in Afghanistan and the forthcoming indirect talks in Geneva. Sahabzada Yaqub Khan exchanged views on the Iranian stand on the conditions for the cessation of the Iran-Iraq conflict with his Iranian counterpart Velayati. They also discussed the forthcoming meeting of the Islamic ummah peace committee beginning in Jidda from the 5th of this month. Velayati expressed his satisfaction over the development of relations between the two countries since his last visit to Islamabad.

Sahabzada Yaqub Khan held discussions with his Indian counterpart, Narasimha Rao, on matters relating to regional issues with special reference to the Iran-Iraq conflict and the Afghanistan crisis.

Meanwhile, UN secretary general's special envoy Cordovez briefed the Pakistan foreign minister about the arrangements for the Geneva talks which will begin from the 16th of this month. The indirect talks will be held among Pakistan, Iran and the Karmal regime of Afghanistan through the UN intermediary of Cordovez. (?The) talks are aimed at finding a political settlement of the Afghanistan crisis.

DE CUELLAR FETES OUTGOING PAKISTANI UN ENVOY

BK300730 Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 0200 GMT 30 May 82

[Text] The UN secretary general has appreciated Pakistan's role in advocating the cause of the Third World. He was speaking at a farewell reception hosted by him in honor of outgoing Pakistan Ambassador Niaz A. Naik. Perez de Cuellar said Niaz A. Naik had significantly contributed to ongoing efforts to launch negotiations on international cooperation.

The Pakistan ambassador commended De Cuellar's personal efforts to solve the Afghan crisis and services rendered by him during his mission as the UN secretary general's personal representative on Afghanistan to make concerned parties agree to a dialogue.

JASARAT VIEWS U.S. GOALS IN IRAN-IRAQ WAR

GF021821 Karachi JASARAT in Urdu 29 May 82 p 3

[Editorial: "United States Should Make No Foolish Moves"]

[Text] After the liberation of Khorramshahr by Iranian forces and the shifting of the balance in the Iraqi-Iranian war in favor of Iran, the United States issued a threat.

U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig, while expressing his government's reaction to the latest events, said that although the United States had remained neutral in the Iraq-Iran war it did not mean that the United States had no interest in the war. He said that this war could affect the balance of power in the region and provide the Soviet Union with an opportunity to increase its influence here. The secretary of state also believes that the war could affect the interests of U.S. friends by posing threats to them; so, the United States intends to take a more active role in the future regarding this region.

When this sad war between Iran and Iraq started some 20 months ago following repeated debacles suffered by the United States on the Iranian front, the United States sighed in relief.

Before the war had started the United States had occasionally threatened Iran. In fact, it had also tried to interfere in Iran with the help of its air force, but a collision between its own aircraft foiled the attempt.

There is one thing that still needs investigating: What powers were behind the war between Iran and Iraq? During this war, both the United States and the Soviet Union have made great gains. While the war has helped the United States recover from its chagrin caused by its past defeats, it has also helped the USSR increase its influence in Iran. This war has left both Iran and Iraq much weaker and unable to resist the intrigues of superpowers with the same vigor as before. Now that the balance has tipped in favor of Iran, the renewed threat of interference by the United States means simply that the United States wants to get even with the revolutionary Islamic regime in Iran for the defeats it suffered at its hands. It is now spreading a new net against Iran. The United States is not concerned about the interests of its friends. It does feel that the balance of power is indeed changing.

In our opinion, the present U.S. intentions are even more dangerous than the British military action in the Falklands because the United States has no excuse for military interference in this region. Its interference can threaten peace not only in this region but in the whole world. The United States should desist from taking this foolish step. Surely, the peace-loving peoples of the world will express displeasure at this statement by the U.S. secretary of state.

The Muslim peace committee and other such organizations are busy finding ways to end the war between these two Muslim countries. The United States should desist from creating obstacles in the way of these peace efforts or further aggravating the already grave situation. With this we would also appeal to Iran and Iraq that now their forces have reached their national borders, they should order a cease-fire. Iran, by desisting from crossing its border, can achieve such a cease-fire which would preserve its victory. This would also prove a gesture of generosity and peace toward a brother country. If Iran and Iraq both restrain themselves at this juncture, not only their own countries but the whole region can be saved from the intrigues of the big powers.

OFFICIAL OUTLINES ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

BK301158 Karachi Domestic Service in English 1005 GMT 30 May 82

[Text] The annual development program for the next fiscal year provides for an increase of about 20 percent in the development allocation compared to the estimated actual expenditure this year. It would also continue the growth momentum that has been generated over the last 5 years and lead to a further six-percent increase in national production this year.

This was stated by Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission Dr Mahbubul Haq at a news conference in Islamabad this morning. He said the development program accords highest priority to agricultural production to which more than one-third of the annual development program allocation would be spent, both directly as well as indirectly, by creating supporting rural infrastructure. He said the plan would aim at preparing the economy to move to even higher growth par during the mid 80's and to expand urgently needed public services in the essential sectors. It would create the base for the sixth 5-year plan.

He said about five times as many schools would be opened next year as compared to this year. Along with these programs, there would be a special program for Baluchistan and Federally Administered Tribal Areas [FATA] region. For Baluchistan, the development program next year will represent most dramatic acceleration and it would be more than three times the development pace this year.

The deputy chairman of the Planning Commission pointed out that there was tremendous potential for major development in Baluchistan, besides mineral exploitation. With the exploitation of underground reservoir of water and provision of roads and electricity, Baluchistan could be opened up as a major new economic frontier which would not only benefit Baluchistan but the whole of the country.

He said for FATA, 50 percent more funds have been provided for development in next year's program.

Giving details of the targets for the next year, Dr Mahbubul Haq said production target of wheat had been fixed at 12.2 million tons. Cotton production is projected to grow by 9 percent to 4.8 million bales in 1982-83. For rice and sugar cane, the fifth plan targets have been realized. A further growth of less than five percent is targeted.

Agricultural growth rate of 4.4 percent and manufacturing growth of 9 percent would yield a continued GNP growth rate of more than 6 percent in 1982-83. The export production assumes an increase of over 18 percent over the depressed base of the current year. An effort will be mad to complete the Pakistan Steel by October next year.

Sufficient allocation will be provided to complete the Khanpur dam within the next financial year and to finish major repairs of Tarbela and Hub dams. In view of emerging power shortage, an additional capacity of 700 megawatts is being established next year. To ease the shortage of telephone connection, efforts will be made to provide about 50,000 additional connections next year.

A special program for primary and secondary education is proposed to be launched; 150 million rupees will be provided for setting up artisan schools to provide skilled training. The rate of construction of houses for low-income federal employees will be greatly accelerated.

BRIEFS

GIFTS FOR REFUGEES -- A number of friendly countries have gifted 471 heavy trucks for speedy transportation of foodstuffs and other relief materials to Afghan refugee camps in Northwest Frontier Province, adjoining tribal areas and Baluchistan. Out of these, 240 trucks have been gifted by the United States. The secretary for the provinces and frontier areas said in Quetta that two workshops for overhauling and repairing cars are also being set up near Quetta and Peshawar with U.S. aid. [Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 0200 GMT 24 May 82 BK]

RICE EXPORT TO ABU DHABI -- The rice export corporation of Pakistan has signed an agreement for the export of 26,000 tons of Basmati rice worth $18.2 million to Abu Dhabi. [Karachi Domestic Service in English 1700 GMT 14 May 82 BK]

IDA LOAN -- The International Development Association [IDA] has agreed to give a loan of $50 million to Pakistan which will be spent to recommission idle engines to improve the railways performance. The loan follows talks between the IDA and the Pakistani delegation in Washington. [Text] [Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 0200 GMT 14 May 82 BK]

ACCESS TO SATELLITE -- Pakistan is now able to have access to Intelsat V Satellite series and also cater for future requirement of Pakistan overseas traffic, following completion recently of modifications and expansion of the Dehmandhero, satellite earth station, near Karachi. This was stated by Mr. Irfan Ali Khan, director (satellite) and Station Manager, Jehmandhero, satellite earth station, in a lecture to students at Ned Engineering University held under the auspices of the institute of electrical and electronic engineer on May 20. [Excerpt] [Karachi DAWN in English 23 May 82 p 13 GF]

IRAQI TEHRAN OVERFLIGHTS 'OF NO MILITARY VALUE'

LD021230 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 2 Jun 82

[Text] According to an IRNA report, the shaky Baghdad regime, in order to convey the air superiority of its disintegrated army, today sent several of its supersonic aircraft flying at twice the speed of sound and at a height of 70,000 feet over the country's western airspace up to Tehran.

It then claimed in a military communique that the flight showed the Iraqi Army's ability to reach Iranian cities and residential areas. According to military experts, such flights, both technically and tactically, are of no military value whatsoever.

According to the report, along with following the aircraft over areas where an attack was suspected, air raid alert signals were sounded and several Iranian fighter aircraft immediately scrambled to give chase and drive them from the airspace of our Islamic homeland. The supersonic flight of the intruding aircraft broke the sound barrier in several areas, and explosion-like noises were heard.

According to informed military sources, today's enemy aggression was intended to neutralize the losses suffered by Saddam's army and raise false prestige for the enemy air force. This is in the hope that perhaps the brilliant and outstanding consequences of the conquest of Khorramshahr and the crushing of Saddam's army might be overlooked.

This military aggression -- even though it was at a high altitude and worthless from the military standpoint -- is, according to informed political sources, an example and manifestation of the continued aggressions by the Iraqi Ba'th regime against Iran's Islamic homeland -- something on which the nonaligned ministerial conference in Cuba should focus their attention.

BUSHEHR PROVINCE ISSUES RED ALERT 2 JUNE

GF020641 Bushehr Domestic Service in Persian 0600 GMT 2 Jun 82

[Text] Dear listeners: According to a report, at this moment a red alert condition is declared for Bushehr Province.

Our dear listeners are requested to comply with and respect the red alert condition. [sound of siren]

ARDAKANI: CHASE IRAQI PLANES, ARTILLERY TO BASES

LD030944 Tehran IRNA in English 0902 GMT 3 Jun 82

[Text] Kuwait, 3 Jun (IRNA) -- Saddam's overthrow would not only provide security through Iranian borders but inside Iraq and in the whole Persian Gulf region as well, Iranian Ambassador to Kuwait 'Ali Shams Ardakani said in an interview with CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR and SUNDAY TIMES Wednesday.

Speaking on future programmes of the Islamic Republic after the recent victories of the Islamic combatants he said that due to recent attacks by Saddam against non-military positions, particularly to Friday mass prayers, Iran would be forced to chase aggressor Iraqi planes and artillery to their bases.

Referring to the Iraqi deportees, Shams Ardakani said that it was an Islamic and humanitarian duty to help them to return to their homeland.

TEHRAN REBUTS SHARON STATEMENT, WARNS ARABS

GF021415 Tehran International Service in Turkish 1830 GMT 1 Jun 82

[Unattributed commentary: "The Many-Sided Zionist Propaganda Campaign Against the Islamic Republic of Iran]

[Text] Dear listeners: The media organs controlled by Zionism recently launched a biased and poisonous propaganda campaign against the Islamic Republic of Iran. (?The whole thing began when one of the Zionist murderers, Ari'el Sharon, resorted to a great and historic lie at a press conference he held in the United States. During the press conference, the defense minister of the occupationist Zionist Israeli regime expressed in short sentences the grudge and inimical feelings he harbors against the Islamic Republic of Iran, a country which is against oppression. Ari'el Sharon, the spokesman of the Zionists, claimed emphatically that the Zionist Israeli regime had sold military equipment to the Islamic Republic worth $28 million through a third country, adding that U.S. officials were informed of the transaction. [passage indistinct]

All this, which has come at a time when Islamic fighters have been scoring clear-cut victories at the battlefronts, is aimed at dealing a hard blow to the Islamic revolution with a view to belittling it in the eyes of the world, particularly in the eyes of the poor struggling Muslims. The claim related to the purchase of arms from the Zionist regime occupying Palestine is actually a conspiracy hatched by the imperialist news media. This conspiracy, which has failed to achieve any end, is directly related to the victories achieved by the Islamic fighters on the battlefronts of the imposed war. Although the world public is sufficiently aware of the true nature of such exploitationist propaganda and political conspiracies, the fact that the racist Zionist administration has also been involved in such plots is indicative of the depth and width of the new conspiracies.

Ever since it has come into being, the Islamic revolution has strongly opposed the existence of the Zionists in the region, emphatically defending the view in the meantime that the Zionists should be expelled from the Islamic lands they occupy. The Islamic revolution, as the protagonist of the unity of the Islamic world, has also been demanding the establishment of a united Islamic front against all Islamic enemies, including the imperialists, Zionists, communists, materialists and pro-Easterners and pro-Westerners.

As one of its most important objectives, the Islamic revolution moves in the direction of liberating the oppressed of the world, particularly the Muslims of the region, from the yoke of the exploitationists and imperialist forces. When the false propaganda fabricated by the Zionists is considered from this viewpoint, the intention behind presenting the Islamic Republic as a collaborator with Israel becomes better understood.

We do not feel any need to reply to lies and unfounded statements in this respect. The reports they are endeavoring to spread are so full of ambiguities and inconsistencies that any impartial observer will immediately agree that they are untrue. What is important is the following question: Why are such rumors being spread on an international level at a time when the Islamic fighters are achieving great victories on the battlefronts of the imposed war? This is something that should be amplified.

We believe that, by spreading such fabrications, imperialist news media are seeking certain nonsensical objectives. These objectives can be explained in brief as follows:

1. To cause discord and polarization within the Islamic world with a view to rendering efforts to establish a united Islamic front unsuccessful -- a concept proposed by the Islamic Republic and warmly welcomed by certain progressive countries.

2. To reduce the effectiveness of Iran's slogan "Neither East nor West, only the Islamic Republic."

3. To eradicate the state of discord and opposition between the Arabs and Israel, converting it into one between the Arabs and Iran. Thus Israel will be left out of developments, feeling free to achieve all its satanic objectives.

4. To contain the Islamic revolution within Iran's political borders with a view to reducing its moral effectiveness.

Imperialism and Zionism believe that through such [words indistinct] they will be able to contain the Islamic revolution within fabricated values [as heard] and lure certain Arab countries, particularly neighboring states, to adopt a hostile stand against Iran. They further believe that once all this is achieved they will be able to prevent the spread of the Islamic revolution throughout the world. In other words, they will be able to control the Islamic revolution. If we look at the realities, however, we see that the Islamic revolution has already gone beyond the limits imperialism and Zionism intend to impose. It has already influenced the world Muslims and, in fact, even non-Muslim peoples.

Undoubtedly, Islamic ideology predicts a [words indistinct] for the world Muslims in their struggle against world oppressors and their agents in the region. This will force the regimes in the region, no matter which ones they are, that choose not to believe in the reality and legality of the Islamic revolution and that move to struggle against it by letting themselves be misled by imperialist conspiracies to meet with their expected fate. We, therefore, caution such regimes to heed the warnings by Imam Khomeyni, leader of the Islamic revolution, and refrain from imposing an initiative upon their people which would conflict with the interests of Islam.

VELAYATI INTERVIEWED ON WAR, RECONSTRUCTION

PM021409 Madrid EL PAIS in Spanish 30 May 82 p 9

[Rafael Fraguas 29 May interview in Madrid with Foreign Minister 'Ali Akbar Velayati: "War Will Continue Until Iraq Pays Reparations and Saddam Husayn Appears Before Tribunal"]

[Text] Question: Now that Iranian troops have regained the port of Khuninshahr [Khorramshahr], what conditions does Iran demand from Iraq for an end to the war? Does it include among its demands the overthrow of Iraq's President Saddam Husayn?

Answer: Since the start of the war the conditions laid down by Iran have remained unchanged. Our country was attacked by Iraq, as everyone knows, and this is proved by the fact that Iraq has troops on our territory. As Saddam Husayn has declared since the onset of the conflict, the aim of his aggression was to dismember Iran and overthrow the Government of the Islamic Republic. Every man of conscience rejects such acts of aggression against our people.

We have set three conditions: The first is the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from our territory. The second is Iraq must pay compensation to Iran for the war damage it has inflicted on us. The third is the convening of an international tribunal to try Saddam Husayn for his aggressions against our people.

But Iraq has never agreed to leave our territory or to our other demands. Nevertheless, by means of the struggle of our Islamic combatant and revolutionary forces, Iran is attaining the first condition. Until our country has satisfied the other two conditions, the war will continue.

Question: Iraq is afraid of Iranian troops penetrating its territory. Does Iran intend to continue the war within Iraq?

Answer: You must put the first part of your question to the Baghdad government. As for the second part, I must tell you that at present Iraq is occupying part of our territory. Furthermore, from within its own borders it fires continuously at the defenseless people in our country. Some days ago several innocent people who were praying at the Khuninshahr mosque died as martyrs in an enemy bombardment.

If there is no security within our own borders and our people are being bombarded from the other side, it is natural for us to try legitimately to silence the enemy artillery in our own defense.

Question: The governments of the area -- Iraq, the small [as published] states of the Persian Gulf, including Saudi Arabia -- are afraid of Iran exporting its Islamic revolution. What is the Iranian Government's opinion in this regard?

Answer: As Imam Khomeyni has argued, the export of the Islamic revolution does not mean the military conquest of other countries or any form of expansionism. It means, rather, propaganda and the ideological propagation of Islam. As far as we know, the truth on this point is simply this: The fear of the countries of the area has been inculcated by imperialism, above all by the United States, whose chief aim is to make those countries forget who their principal enemy is, namely, Israel.

In this way it is trying to divert the Arab and Muslim countries' attention toward Iran, which since the start of the revolution has been enthusiastically trying to achieve the unity of the Muslims and Arabs for the liberation of Palestine.

"Israel, Iraq's Protector"

Question: What is your opinion regarding the recent remarks by Israeli Defense Minister Ari'el Sharon about Israeli military aid to Iran?

Answer: Every time the Islamic combatants gain a victory Iraq's protectors try to defend it. One of Iraq's protectors is the Israeli Government, because since the Ba'th Party came to power in Baghdad 14 years ago the Ba'thist government has spent millions of dollars of its budget in weapons. It has justified this spending by saying it was to combat Israel, but the fact is that hitherto it has not fired a single shot at Israel.

Second, the Egypt of Anwar as-Sadat and Husni Mubarak, a friend of Israel's, has been friendly with Iraq and has helped it with armaments. Iraq, as head of the Arab countries, is struggling to make the Arab regimes accept the Camp David accords and indirectly to make them accept Husni Mubarak. [sentence as published]

Furthermore, during the Iranian-Iraqi war one of the channels through which Iraq has received many weapons has been the port of Al-'Aqabah which, although it belongs to Jordan, is under Israel military control. If Iraq could really have harmed Israel with these weapons, Tel Aviv could very easily have cut off this traffic.

Last, following our recent victories over Iraq, Reagan, Haig and Weinberger have shown their anxiety about the danger which they see in Iran winning the war, which would, according to them, jeopardize their friends' future. Would it seem logical for Israel to help Iran, whose victory could greatly displease Israel's real godfather, namely, the United States?

Question: How long do you believe it will take your country to regain its role as a world oil power?

Answer: We believe that we must place our national oil wealth at the service of our people's progress. We also believe that the countries that have oil must use this gift that God has given them and given us to help not only their own countries but also the underprivileged and all the poor countries of the world.

Question: On which allies and friendly countries will Iran depend when it undertakes its reconstruction after the war? Can Spain be counted among these countries?

Answer: The reconstruction of the war-damaged zones began some time ago and enjoys the cooperation of thousands of Iranians. The Iranian people and their revolutionary combatants have made great efforts in this direction.

On the other hand, it is logical for us to sign agreements with other countries to accelerate this recovery. Bearing in mind Spain's favorable attitude toward the Islamic revolution since the beginning, Spain will be one of the priority countries in the task of Iranian reconstruction and in the commercial agreements and exchanges that we will sign.

Question: Some Western observers believe that Iran is drawing closer and closer to the Soviet Union. Is it true?

Answer: Western observers who believe that are certainly not neutral. We maintain normal relations with the USSR, Turkey, Pakistan, the small states around the Persian Gulf and all our neighbors and all countries of the world -- expect the ones at war with us, such as Iraq, or oppressive regimes such as Israel, South Africa and the United States. The USSR is one of the former and we try to maintain good neighborly relations with that country.

Question: What is the Iranian stand on the conflict in the South Atlantic?

Answer: We issued a communique condemning the desperate move by the vestiges of the old and ailing British colonialism and its cooperation with the world devourer called the United States. We believe that if the Argentine people persist in their present stand, the British will have to abandon the Malvinas zone in disgrace.

TEHRAN REPORTS ON VELAYATI ACTIVITIES IN HAVANA

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[Text] In continuation of the meetings in Havana of the foreign affairs ministers and delegations of various countries, the foreign ministers of Zambia, India, Cuba and the PLO asked to meet our country's foreign minister. These foreign ministers, who have come to our country several times under the name of the nonaligned conference peace mission, met and conferred this morning with our foreign minister, Mr Velayati, in order to learn the latest views of the Islamic Republic of Iran on the imposed war.

According to the report of the Central News Unit correspondent in Havana, the Cuban foreign affairs minister and the president of the current nonaligned foreign ministers conference, acting as spokesman, first thanked the Iranian delegation for accepting the invitation. Then Mr Velayati said: Iraq has carried out aggression against our country's territory, ruined many villages and cities and martyred thousands of innocent women, men and children. The maps printed by Iraq at the beginning of the war show parts of our country's territory as broken up and this reveals that country's previous intention of not recognizing our country's territorial sovereignty. Saddam intended to use terror, intimidation and murder among people in the region to impose himself as a superior power and the region's gendarme. Since the beginning of the war we have repeated our just conditions to various delegations, but Iraq has not accepted these conditions. Therefore the Muslim and revolutionary people of our country have decided to ensure that the conditions are met themselves and our nation's sacrifices and blood offerings are meeting the first condition: the withdrawal of the aggressor. Vast parts of the occupied lands have been liberated and the struggle will continue until the other conditions are met.

Mr Velayati said: We have no intention of intervening in the internal affairs of any country, but when our border cities and villages are being continuously bombed by Iraqi artillery and bombers do not ask us to keep silent, not respond and enforce a peacetime situation in time of war. War is war and has its own rules. Why has no one asked these questions of Iraq?

Mr Velayati added: We shall continue defending ourselves as the most legitimate right of man and we shall preserve the right for ourselves until we silence the Iraqi artillery fire and stop Iraqi aggression. This is defense and defense is an honorable act.

Fighting will continue until our conditions are met completely, even if it continues for several months or several years. We shall not restrict ourselves in responding to Iraqi aggression on the border regions.

It should be noted that the foreign ministers of Cuba, Syria, Pakistan and several other delegations also separately met and conferred yesterday with the Iranian foreign minister and his delegation.

IRANIAN DELEGATION STAGES WALKOUT AT ILO MEETING

NC021554 Paris AFP in English 1543 GMT 2 Jun 82

[Text] Geneva, 2 Jun (AFP) -- The entire Iranian delegation rose shouting and walked out as French President Francois Mitterrand took the lectern at the opening session of the 68th International Labor Organisation (ILO) conference at the United Nations here today.

Members assisting the session could not make out what the delegation from Tehran -- made up of government members, employers and workers -- shouted as they walked out of the meeting hall.

The French president, who arrived here earlier today, began his speech after the Iranians left.

Iranian Labour Minister Ahmad Tavakkoli said later that the walk-out was triggered by "French backing for Israel".

The Iranian delegation refused to listen to a man who was "the first head of state to visit Palestine after the annexation of the Golan Heights" and who "embraced (Prime Minister) Menahem Begin," Mr Tavakkoli told AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE.

France's anti-Iranian policies as well as the move to sell Mirage fighter planes to Iraq "were insignificant compared to its backing of Israel", he addded.

ARMED FORCES JOINT STAFF COMMUNIQUE NO 932

LD021816 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 2 Jun 82

[Communique No 932 of the Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran]

[Text] In His exalted name. Our dear Muslim compatriots are hereby informed of the outcome of the battles and the exchange of fire on the battlefields during the past 24 hours:

Yesterday fighting and an exchange of fire took place sporadically on all the southern fronts, but the forces of Islam maintained their complete superiority. The fighting was even more intense in the Kushk region, and our victorious forces, defending their positions and fortifications, dominated the entire region and controlled the movements of the Saddamist forces. By opening fire on the Saddamists to silence their fire, we inflicted losses and casualties on the forces of blasphemy.

Yesterday morning the defeated Saddamist forces embarked on a series of futile operations on one of the Khorramshahr fronts but were confronted with a sharp reaction from the powerful, victorious forces of Islam and were forced to retreat after suffering losses and casualties. During these operations, 3 tanks belonging to the Iraqi forces were destroyed, a number of Iraqi servicemen were killed and 19 men were captured by our mighty forces.

Yesterday exchange of fire continued on the Abadan front and, thanks to fire directed by our naval heroes and by our gendarmerie combatants at enemy positions on the opposite bank of the Shatt al-'Arab, five trenches of the Iraqi forces were destroyed and more than 10 Iraqi servicemen were killed.

Also, a fuel dump of the Saddamists was set ablaze in the Al-Faw region.

On the fronts in the western parts of the country, fighting and exchange of fire continued, and our ground forces, together with the gendarmerie combatants and the self-sacrificing tribal fighters of the irregular tribal warfare units, bravely defended the positions under their control on every one of the fronts in the western regions, from Sumar to Sar-e Pol-e Zahab. By opening fire on enemy positions and trenches and silencing their fire, they inflicted blows at the Saddamist forces. Enemy losses reportedly include one tank, several supply depots and a number of servicemen.

During the past 24 hours, certain residential areas in Abadan were also subjected to long-range artillery fire from the mercenary Saddamists and consequently suffered some damage.

During the past 24 hours, raiding enemy fighter aircraft, at a height of 70,000 feet and at twice the speed of sound -- which is totally pointless for military purposes -- attempted to fly across our country but were chased by the fast-flying fighter aircraft of the Air Force of the Islamic Republic of Iran and were forced to flee.

[Signed] The Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran

1,105 IRAQI POW'S ARRIVE IN TEHRAN 29 MAY

LD292058 Tehran IRNA in English 2006 GMT 29 May 82

[Text] Tehran, 29 May (IRNA) -- Another group of 1,105 Iraqi POWs were transferred to Tehran this morning. They were among the Iraqi captives taken during the victorious Bayt al-Moqaddas Operation which led to the liberation of Khorramshahr.

These Iraqi POWs were transferred from Ahvaz and arrived at the Tehran railway station while a great number of Muslim people of Tehran welcomed them shouting "Death to Saddam," "Victory to Islam," "Death to the United States" and "Death to the Soviet Union."

The captives were carried to camps which were prepared for them beforehand in more than 40 military [word indistinct] buses. Simultaneously with this group, over 2,300 Iraqi POWs were transferred to another part of the country.

NVOI LAUDS LIBERATION OF KHORRAMSHAHR

TA282100 (Clandestine) National Voice of Iran in Persian to Iran 1730 GMT 28 May 82

[Unattributed commentary: "The Liberation of Khuninshahr Is a Golden Page in the Book of (?Sacrifices) of Our Ever-on-the-Scene Nation"]

[Text] Dear compatriots: Finally, after one month, Khorramshahr, city of blood and courage, city of selflessness and martyrdom, came under the complete occupation of the combatants of the Islamic Republic's Army, the guards and the Mobilization and popular forces. During this month, despite the plots of the counterrevolution, of world-devouring America and their mercenaries in the garb of foreign aggressors and the domestic liberals, the brave and patriotic combatants of our Islamic Republic by their unique epic-making actions were able to liberate step by step our homeland's territory from the bloody claws of the aggressors, the mercenaries of world-devouring America and the region's reactionaries.

The liberation of Khuninshahr, this city of epics and martyrdom, should rightly be considered as the peak of the victories and selflessness of the brave fighters and the sacrifices and faith of our ever-on-the-scene nation, and as victory of right over wrong.

The combatant, (?great) and self-sacrificing people of our emancipated homeland are justly overjoyed because with the liberation of their homeland's soil from the claws of foreign aggressors, they in fact not only struck a powerful fist in the face of the opportunist, fascist and aggressor leaders of the region, but at the same time rubbed the mouth of their American leaders in the dust.

Currently Khorramshahr has been liberated, but nothing is left of this town and similar liberated areas except a heap of rubble, ruin and destruction. Havoc and devastation can be seen in all the areas liberated from the presence of foreign aggressors. The Government of the Islamic Republic has allocated substantial amounts for repairing the war damages and reconstructing the war-stricken areas. The people are assisting from all aspects in the reconstruction of the war-stricken regions. Delegations have been sent to Khuzestan by various ministries to inspect these regions and to become acquainted with the urgent and immediate needs of the inhabitants of these devastated areas. Certainly many years will be needed to repair all the devastation and reconstruct the war-stricken areas, even if immediate and extensive measures are carried out by the government on the basis of long- and short-term programs.

In order to implement the programs and plans related to the construction of these areas, from this very moment there is an urgent need for expert and committed individuals and for manpower. Without specialized and committed manpower, the rebuilding of so much devastation and ruins resulting from the war which world-devouring America has imposed on our homeland by the hands of its mercenaries and agents in the region is not possible. Through continued efforts and the mobilization of all potential and moral and material forces [words indistinct].

There is no doubt that our great selfless nation, particularly the inhabitants of the war-stricken areas, are completely aware of the sensitive situation and the problems confronting the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran. This nation, the same way that it was able through revolutionary patience, courage and selflessness to finally throw out the wild and aggressive enemy from its territory, without doubt will be able to endure the difficulties emanating from the war with the same revolutionary patience. However, creating [word indistinct] and maintaining the essential medical and educational needs and the welfare of these self-sacrificing people is the current necessity. The revolutionary patience of the war-stricken people cannot lessen one bit the government's responsibility toward these suffering, revolutionary and combatant people.

The courage, selflessness and heroism of the combatants of the armed forces, the dear guards, the popular forces and other security and military forces in this bloody battle for the liberation of occupied areas from the claws of the abject enemy and the tool of world-devouring America and the region's reaction has been commended by the imam of the nation and our ever-on-the-scene nation. [Words indistinct] at the same time the imam requested all the governments of our region, especially the leaders of the Arab states of the region, to sever their relations with world-devouring America, to liberate themselves from dependence on America and to embrace revolutionary Islam. He stated that they will always be supported by the Islamic Republic of Iran and that no danger whatsoever will threaten them from the direction of Iran.

Devoting attention to this matter is for this reason necessary because world-devouring America, by observing the defeat of the foreign aggressors in our homeland, is striving to involve some of its subservient regimes, including the Egyptian regime, in this imposed and aggressive war against revolutionary Iran. All the imperialist propaganda organizations are endeavoring by distorting the facts to focus public opinion at the so-called danger which is threatening the region's countries allegedly from Iran.

As our Islamic Republic's realistic leaders have stressed, including the president and the speaker of the Islamic Majlis, the goal of the United States from this propaganda tumult is that America wants to reduce the sensitivity which the world has toward Israel, and to focus it on Iran. This is a correct opinion.

However, the other face of the coin is that America, by unleashing this tumult and extensive propaganda, wants to escalate its military presence in our region and to cover it with a so-called legitimate garb.

America's objective is Iran and the destruction and overthrow of the system of our Islamic Republic. This is a fact which some of our homeland's authorities either do not see or do not want to see, and wittingly or unwittingly, by their irresponsible statements place propaganda fodder at the disposal of America.

By exerting all efforts and potential for the complete liberation of the occupied areas and by reconstructing the damages resulting from the war, one should not for one moment ignore the multifarious ploys and plots of the United States.

TWO BOMBS DISCOVERED IN HOSEYNIYEH JAMARAN

GF021635 (Clandestine) Radio Iran in Persian to Iran 1330 GMT 2 Jun 82

[Text] Early yesterday morning, some hours prior to the gathering of members of the majlis of professional mourners and the regime's shar' executioners in Jamaran in order to see Khomeyni, two powerful bombs were discovered in Hoseyniyeh Jamaran.

The bombs were in two attache cases and one of them was planted under a balcony usually used by Khomeyni during his speeches to his cronies.

Both bombs were unfortunately discovered and defused some hours prior to the gathering of the mullahs.

Informed sources said the destructive power of the two bombs was such that had they exploded they would have razed Hoseyniyeh Jamaran and all houses around it.

It is not yet known which struggling organization opposing the regime planted the bombs in Jamaran. However, reports say that three guards have been arrested for questioning.

CLASHES REPORTEDLY CONTINUE IN TEHRAN, TABRIZ

GF021717 (Clandestine) Free Voice of Iran in Persian to Iran 1500 GMT 2 Jun 82

[Text] We start our newscast with reports on street clashes in Iran. According to our reporter in Tehran, Nehzat-e Peyrovan-Shari'at in a night letter announced that it has annihilated 11 of the regime's guards in Tehran and Tabriz. In the Tabriz clashes, which lasted several hours in several districts, armed combatants of other organizations opposing Khomeyni's regime as well as Shari'at members participated. According to this report, the bodies of those killed in the clash, the armed fighters and agents of Khomeyni's anti-nationalist regime, are being kept in a special place and not buried.

The spokesman of Mojahedin-e Khalq organization, answering our correspondent in Paris, said that his organization accepts responsibility for the events which occurred in Tabriz on Sunday night.

According to our reporter, clashes between the regime's opposition and guards continue in Tehran and northern Iran. Even though the radio, television and the publications of the fascist regime of the mullahs have remained silent, a German newspaper reported that in street clashes between Mojahedin-e Khalq and guards some days ago in Tehran and Sari, several people were killed. FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE also criticized the execution of 15 in Mashhad. The group were executed on the orders of shar' magistrates.

GROUP CLAIMS RESPONSIBILITY FOR EXPLOSIONS

GF020640 (Clandestine) Free Voice of Iran in Persian to Iran 1500 GMT 2 Jun 82

[Text] Nahzat-e Peyravan-e Shari'at has taken the responsibility for the two recent explosions in the guards' headquarters in Tehran and in Mashhad. As a result of these explosions, eight guards and committee members were killed.

The night letter published by the Nahzat-e Peyravan-e Shari'at reads that efforts are continuing to suppress the pseudoclergy followers of Khomeyni, and the Iranian people are supporting these efforts. Nahzat-e Peyravan-e Shari'at has stressed that all those who are against the satanic actions of Khomeyni and his clique and the crimes committed by the guards of this regime can get together and establish new centers of Nahzat-e Peyravan-e Shari'at in Tehran, Qom, Mashhad and other Iranian cities.

In Tehran it is said that followers of Nahzat-e Peyravan-e Shari'at will continue to suppress the hojjats and mullahs supporting Khomeyni.

RADIO IRAN REPORTS 15 EXECUTED IN MASHHAD

GF021633 (Clandestine) Radio Iran in Persian to Iran 1330 GMT 2 Jun 82

[Text] The mullahs ruling our homeland have shot 15 struggling youths opposing the regime. The murders occurred in Mashhad. Three of those killed were young girls.

As usual, their crimes were cited as waging war against God and His prophet and deputy, the imam of the ages, as well as corruption on earth.

CABINET ENDORSES NEW ISLAMIC BILLS FOR JUDICIARY

LD301234 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 30 May 82

[Excerpts] According to the Central News Unit, the Cabinet of the Islamic Republic of Iran met today with Prime Minister Mir-Hoseyn Musavi in the chair. The meeting was also attended by Musavi-Ardabili, president of the Supreme Court.

In its meeting today the Cabinet endorsed seven judicial bills following a detailed report presented by the president of the Supreme Court and by Justice Minister Asghari. In his remarks, Musavi-Ardabili, president of the Supreme Court, said that following final approval of these bills by the Majlis former legislation will be repealed. He said that the new bills will make the laws governing our judiciary Islamic.

At the conclusion of today's Cabinet meeting, Mr Mohammad Asghari gave an interview to a Central News Unit correspondent in which he said: In order to create and promote an Islamic judiciary we require Islamic law, and the seven bills drafted by the Supreme Judicial Council which were presented to the Cabinet were approved today.

These bills are as follows: Islamic punishment; penal code; legal code; amendment of clauses in the former civil law which were based on French civil law; document and land registry; registry offices for official document, registrars and assistant registrars; trade law.

The minister went on to say that the new trade law replaces the present trade law based on European regulations. The new law, which is Islamic, was drafted under the supervision of religious law and Islamic experts. God willing, after their ratification by the Majlis implementation of the new laws will create a major change in the work of our judiciary.

GUARDIANS ASK MAJLIS TO RECONSIDER BILL CLAUSES

LD022254 Tehran INRA in English 2016 GMT 2 Jun 82

[Text] Tehran, 2 Jun (IRNA) -- The Council of Guardians of the Islamic Consultative Assembly returned some clauses of the bill for the nationalization of foreign commerce to the Majlis for further study.

In its meeting the council ruled that the essential substance of the bill was not against the constitutional law but the following cases were referred to the Majlis to be studied so that clauses of the bill might be amended in accordance with religious precepts. These examples of what might be possible under the current bill were considered unjustifiable under religious jurisprudence:

1. In some cases all import, export and distribution were confined solely to the sovereignty.

2. In some cases the purchasing method and primary distribution might result in the dissatisfaction of the wholesaler.

The Majlis was acting within its powers of discretion in referring the bill's clauses to the Council of Guardians for review.

According to constitutional law, the Council of Guardians must refer provisions to the Majlis for reconsideration and amendment if these provisions are judged to contradict religious precepts or constitutional provisions. The rejection of select clauses of a bill approved by the Majlis does not entail invalidation of the whole bill.

The Council of Guardians on an earlier occasion rejected some clauses of a bill dealing with idle lands.

SAHARAN REPUBLIC OPENS EMBASSY IN TEHRAN

LD011146 Tehran IRNA in English 1005 GMT 1 Jun 82

[Excerpt] Tehran, 31 May, IRNA -- The Saharan Arab Democratic Republic opened its embassy in Tehran today in a ceremony attended by Iranian Government officials and representatives from 15 embassies in Tehran.

At the ceremony first Mr Ma' Alaynain Sadiq, the Saharan ambassador, made a speech on the opening of the first Saharan embassy in Asia and thanked the Islamic Republic for giving this opportunity to his country and hoped for the success of the Islamic Republic under the leadership of Imam Khomeyni.

Mr Sadiq, who is also a member of the Polisario political office, added that the opening of his country's embassy here would be a great step towards the expanding of relations between the revolution of the Saharan people and the Islamic Republic of Iran and he said that it would be a symbol among the rightful stands of the Islamic Republic in support of all the oppressed of the world and liberation forces.

After, Mr Ahmad 'Azizi, the deputy foreign minister of the Islamic Republic, who was at the ceremony, expressed his pleasure on the opening of the Saharan Embassy.

While praising the struggle of the Saharan people, he hoped that they could reach progress in building their country in a land free of occupation by foreigners under Islamic and Koranic laws.

ACTIVITIES OF AFGHAN MUJAHIDIN REPORTED

Soviet Forces Attacked

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[Text] Zahedan, 1 Jun (IRNA) -- The Afghan Muslim mujahidin destroyed four Soviet tanks by RPG-7s during a 3-hour attack launched on the Soviet forces in the past 48 hours on the Herat-Qandahar highway.

On the basis of the same report, during this clash, 3 Kalashnikovs were seized by the Afghan Muslims.

Soviet-Afghan Panjsher Defeat

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[Text] The joint Soviet-Afghan forces have not been able to move the Afghan Muslim mujahidin away from their positions, despite the extensive operations carried out in Panjsher Valley during the past two weeks.

These operations resulted in heavy losses in personnel and equipment among the joint Soviet-Afghan forces, which returned to Kabul the day before yesterday following their defeat.

The Afghan mujahidin sources said that their tactic was to draw the aggressive forces to Panjsher Valley and establish barricades to encircle the invading forces and prevent their retreat. News media in Kabul were content with only mentioning these clashes.

1,600 Killed

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[Text] The Muslim Afghan mujahidin have foiled the sixth attempt by Soviet forces in the past 30 months to occupy the Panjsher Valley, 80 km northwest of Kabul.

The joint Afghan-Soviet forces were aided in this attack by aircraft, helicopters equipped with machineguns and hundreds of tanks and armored vehicles. A number of aircraft, helicopters, tanks and vehicles of the joint Afghan-Soviet forces have been destroyed.

These forces have been forced to retreat, leaving behind 1,600 dead.